



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ashkenazi et al. Docket No.: 39780-1618P2C17  
Serial No.: 09/904,838 Group Art Unit: 1647  
Filing Date: July 13, 2001 Examiner: David S. Romeo  
For: **SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND  
NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME**

**EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO. EV 582 626 945 US**

**Date Mailed: March 21, 2005**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

**MS: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 20, 2004, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed with a Petition for extension of time for three months with necessary fees.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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